

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Federal Agency Name(s): National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic And Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce

Funding Opportunity Title: ECOHAB

Announcement Type: Initial

Funding Opportunity Number: NOS-NCCOS-2006-2000601

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 11.478, Center for Sponsored Coastal Ocean Research - Coastal Ocean Program

Dates: Anticipated Publication Date: 3/1/2006

Competition: Ecohab

Anticipated Award Date: 8/17/2006

Application Due Date: 3/10/2006

Funding Opportunity Description:

FULL ANNOUNCEMENT TEXT

I. Funding Opportunity Description

A. Program Objective

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B. Program Priorities

The numbering of priorities is not intended to indicate preference of one priority over another.

Program Priority: N/A

N/A

Priority Order: 1

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C. Program Authority

16 U.S.C. 1456c; 33 U.S.C. 883d; 33 U.S.C 1442; 15 U.S.C. 1540

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II. Award Information

A. Funding Availability

Total Anticipated Federal Funding: \$0.00

Anticipated Federal Funding Per Award (Min-Max): \$0.00 - \$0.00

Anticipated Number of Awards (Min-Max): 0 - 0

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B. Project/Award Period

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C. Type of Funding Instrument

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III. Eligibility Information

A. Eligible Applicants

Recipient Type: State Government

Recipient Type: City or Township Government

Recipient Type: Public/State Controlled Institution of Higher Education

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B. Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement

Competition: Ecohab

There is no cost sharing requirement for this competition.

C. Other Criteria that Affect Eligibility

IV. Application and Submission Information

A. Address to Request Application Package

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Organization: NOS National Center for Coastal Ocean Science (NCCOS)

To apply for this NOAA federal funding opportunity, please go to www.grants.gov, and use the following funding opportunity # NOS-NCCOS-2006-2000601

www.noaa.gov

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B. Content and Form of Application

Competition: Ecohab

Form: SF-424A

Competition: Ecohab

Form: SF-424B

Competition: Ecohab

Form: CD-511

Competition: Ecohab

Form: SF-424

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C. Submission Dates and Times

Anticipated Publication Date: 3/1/2006

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PreApplication Due Date: 3/1/2006

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D. Intergovernmental Review

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E. Funding Restrictions

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F. Other Submission Requirements

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V. Application Review Information

A. Evaluation Criteria

1. Importance and/or relevance and applicability of proposed project to the program goals: This ascertains whether there is intrinsic value in the proposed work and/or relevance to NOAA, federal, regional, state, or local activities.

2. Technical/scientific merit: This assesses whether the approach is technically sound and/or innovative, if the methods are appropriate, and whether there are clear project goals and objectives.

3. Overall qualifications of applicants: This ascertains whether the applicant possesses the necessary education, experience, training, facilities, and administrative resources to accomplish the project.

4. Project costs: The Budget is evaluated to determine if it is realistic and commensurate with the project needs and time-frame.

5. Outreach and education: NOAA assesses whether this project provides a focused and effective education and outreach strategy regarding NOAA's mission to protect the Nation's natural resources.

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Importance and/or Relevance and applicability of Proposed Project to the Program Goals

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Outreach and Education

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Overall Qualification of Applicants

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Project Costs

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Technical/Scientific Merit

None

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B. Review and Selection Process

The merit review ratings shall provide a rank order to the Selecting Official for final funding recommendations. A program officer may first make recommendations to the Selecting Official applying the selection factors below. The Selecting Official shall award in the rank order unless the proposal is justified to be selected out of rank order based upon one or more of the following factors:

1. Availability of funding.
2. Balance/distribution of funds:
 - a. Geographically
 - b. By type of institutions
 - c. By type of partners
 - d. By research areas

e. By project types

3. Whether this project duplicates other projects funded or considered for funding by NOAA or other federal agencies.

4. Program priorities and policy factors.

5. Applicant's prior award performance.

6. Partnerships and/or Participation of targeted groups.

7. adequacy of information necessary for NOAA staff to make a NEPA determination and draft necessary documentation before recommendations for funding are made to GMD. Hence, awards may not necessarily be made to the highest scored proposals. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified that their proposal was not among those recommended for funding.

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Importance and/or Relevance and applicability of Proposed Project to the Program Goals

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Outreach and Education

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Overall Qualification of Applicants

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Project Costs

None

Cutoff score: 0

Review Event: Ecohab

Scoring Method: Points

Review Basis: Independent Review

Name: Technical/Scientific Merit

None

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C. Selection Factors

D. Anticipated Announcement and Award Dates

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VI. Award Administration Information

A. Award Notices

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B. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

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C. Reporting

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VII. Agency Contacts

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VIII. Other Information